

## CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST FOR ESB 96

**Citations Affected:** IC 25-1; IC 25-20.5-1-1; IC 25-23.6; IC 31-32-11-1.

**Synopsis:** Addiction counselors. Conference committee report for ESB 96. Provides for a license for addiction counselors. Changes the name of the "social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor board" to the "behavioral health and human services licensing board" (board) and adds members. Requires addiction counselors and clinical addiction counselors to be licensed. Establishes requirements and procedures for an individual to be licensed as an addiction counselor or clinical addiction counselor. Prohibits a person who is not licensed as an addiction counselor from using certain titles or certain words in a title. Establishes interim qualifications and procedures according to which persons already acting as addiction counselors may obtain initial licensure. Makes conforming changes. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the commission on mental health.) **(This conference committee report: (1) makes changes affecting the appointment of members of the behavioral health and human services licensing board; (2) amends the student exemption; (3) changes the requirements concerning an applicant's submission to the board of evidence that the applicant has not been convicted of certain crimes; (4) amends the educational and clinical qualifications for applicants; (5) relocates the addiction counseling grandfather provisions; and (6) removes the study of issues concerning paramedics.)**

**Effective:** July 1, 2009.

Adopted

Rejected

## CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

**MR. SPEAKER:**

*Your Conference Committee appointed to confer with a like committee from the Senate upon Engrossed House Amendments to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 96 respectfully reports that said two committees have conferred and agreed as follows to wit:*

that the Senate recede from its dissent from all House amendments and that the Senate now concur in all House amendments to the bill and that the bill be further amended as follows:

- 1 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:
- 2 SECTION 1. IC 25-1-2-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.3-2008,
- 3 SECTION 176, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
- 4 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 6. (a) As used in this section,
- 5 "license" includes all occupational and professional licenses,
- 6 registrations, permits, and certificates issued under the Indiana Code,
- 7 and "licensee" includes all occupational and professional licensees,
- 8 registrants, permittees, and certificate holders regulated under the
- 9 Indiana Code.
- 10 (b) This section applies to the following entities that regulate
- 11 occupations or professions under the Indiana Code:
- 12 (1) Indiana board of accountancy.
- 13 (2) Indiana grain buyers and warehouse licensing agency.
- 14 (3) Indiana auctioneer commission.
- 15 (4) Board of registration for architects and landscape architects.
- 16 (5) State board of barber examiners.
- 17 (6) State board of cosmetology examiners.
- 18 (7) Medical licensing board of Indiana.
- 19 (8) Secretary of state.
- 20 (9) State board of dentistry.
- 21 (10) State board of funeral and cemetery service.
- 22 (11) Worker's compensation board of Indiana.

- 1 (12) Indiana state board of health facility administrators.
- 2 (13) Committee of hearing aid dealer examiners.
- 3 (14) Indiana state board of nursing.
- 4 (15) Indiana optometry board.
- 5 (16) Indiana board of pharmacy.
- 6 (17) Indiana plumbing commission.
- 7 (18) Board of podiatric medicine.
- 8 (19) Private investigator and security guard licensing board.
- 9 (20) State board of registration for professional engineers.
- 10 (21) Board of environmental health specialists.
- 11 (22) State psychology board.
- 12 (23) Indiana real estate commission.
- 13 (24) Speech-language pathology and audiology board.
- 14 (25) Department of natural resources.
- 15 (26) State boxing commission.
- 16 (27) Board of chiropractic examiners.
- 17 (28) Mining board.
- 18 (29) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners.
- 19 (30) State department of health.
- 20 (31) Indiana physical therapy committee.
- 21 (32) Respiratory care committee.
- 22 (33) Occupational therapy committee.
- 23 (34) ~~Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental~~
- 24 ~~health counselor~~ **Behavioral health and human services**
- 25 **licensing** board.
- 26 (35) Real estate appraiser licensure and certification board.
- 27 (36) State board of registration for land surveyors.
- 28 (37) Physician assistant committee.
- 29 (38) Indiana dietitians certification board.
- 30 (39) Indiana hypnotist committee.
- 31 (40) Attorney general (only for the regulation of athlete agents).
- 32 (41) Manufactured home installer licensing board.
- 33 (42) Home inspectors licensing board.
- 34 (43) State board of massage therapy.
- 35 (44) Any other occupational or professional agency created after
- 36 June 30, 1981.

37 (c) Notwithstanding any other law, the entities included in  
 38 subsection (b) shall send a notice of the upcoming expiration of a  
 39 license to each licensee at least sixty (60) days prior to the expiration  
 40 of the license. The notice must inform the licensee of the need to renew  
 41 and the requirement of payment of the renewal fee. If this notice of  
 42 expiration is not sent by the entity, the licensee is not subject to a  
 43 sanction for failure to renew if, once notice is received from the entity,  
 44 the license is renewed within forty-five (45) days of the receipt of the  
 45 notice.

46 SECTION 2. IC 25-1-4-0.3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.2-2008,  
 47 SECTION 52, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 48 JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 0.3. As used in this chapter, "board" means any of  
 49 the following:

- 50 (1) Indiana board of accountancy (IC 25-2.1-2-1).
- 51 (2) Board of registration for architects and landscape architects

- 1 (IC 25-4-1-2).
- 2 (3) Indiana athletic trainers board (IC 25-5.1-2-1).
- 3 (4) Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1).
- 4 (5) State board of barber examiners (IC 25-7-5-1).
- 5 (6) State boxing commission (IC 25-9-1).
- 6 (7) Board of chiropractic examiners (IC 25-10-1).
- 7 (8) State board of cosmetology examiners (IC 25-8-3-1).
- 8 (9) State board of dentistry (IC 25-14-1).
- 9 (10) Indiana dietitians certification board (IC 25-14.5-2-1).
- 10 (11) State board of registration for professional engineers
- 11 (IC 25-31-1-3).
- 12 (12) Board of environmental health specialists (IC 25-32-1).
- 13 (13) State board of funeral and cemetery service (IC 25-15-9).
- 14 (14) Indiana state board of health facility administrators
- 15 (IC 25-19-1).
- 16 (15) Committee of hearing aid dealer examiners (IC 25-20-1-1.5).
- 17 (16) Home inspectors licensing board (IC 25-20.2-3-1).
- 18 (17) Indiana hypnotist committee (IC 25-20.5-1-7).
- 19 (18) State board of registration for land surveyors
- 20 (IC 25-21.5-2-1).
- 21 (19) Manufactured home installer licensing board (IC 25-23.7).
- 22 (20) Medical licensing board of Indiana (IC 25-22.5-2).
- 23 (21) Indiana state board of nursing (IC 25-23-1).
- 24 (22) Occupational therapy committee (IC 25-23.5).
- 25 (23) Indiana optometry board (IC 25-24).
- 26 (24) Indiana board of pharmacy (IC 25-26).
- 27 (25) Indiana physical therapy committee (IC 25-27-1).
- 28 (26) Physician assistant committee (IC 25-27.5).
- 29 (27) Indiana plumbing commission (IC 25-28.5-1-3).
- 30 (28) Board of podiatric medicine (IC 25-29-2-1).
- 31 (29) Private investigator and security guard licensing board
- 32 (IC 25-30-1-5.2).
- 33 (30) State psychology board (IC 25-33).
- 34 (31) Indiana real estate commission (IC 25-34.1-2).
- 35 (32) Real estate appraiser licensure and certification board
- 36 (IC 25-34.1-8).
- 37 (33) Respiratory care committee (IC 25-34.5).
- 38 (34) ~~Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental~~
- 39 ~~health counselor~~ **Behavioral health and human services**
- 40 **licensing** board (IC 25-23.6).
- 41 (35) Speech-language pathology and audiology board
- 42 (IC 25-35.6-2).
- 43 (36) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners
- 44 (IC 25-38.1-2).

45 SECTION 3. IC 25-1-5-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.2-2008,  
 46 SECTION 57, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 47 JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 3. (a) There is established the Indiana professional  
 48 licensing agency. The agency shall perform all administrative  
 49 functions, duties, and responsibilities assigned by law or rule to the  
 50 executive director, secretary, or other statutory administrator of the  
 51 following:

- (1) Board of chiropractic examiners (IC 25-10-1).
- (2) State board of dentistry (IC 25-14-1).
- (3) Indiana state board of health facility administrators (IC 25-19-1).
- (4) Medical licensing board of Indiana (IC 25-22.5-2).
- (5) Indiana state board of nursing (IC 25-23-1).
- (6) Indiana optometry board (IC 25-24).
- (7) Indiana board of pharmacy (IC 25-26).
- (8) Board of podiatric medicine (IC 25-29-2-1).
- (9) Board of environmental health specialists (IC 25-32).
- (10) Speech-language pathology and audiology board (IC 25-35.6-2).
- (11) State psychology board (IC 25-33).
- (12) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners (IC 25-38.1-2).
- (13) Controlled substances advisory committee (IC 35-48-2-1).
- (14) Committee of hearing aid dealer examiners (IC 25-20).
- (15) Indiana physical therapy committee (IC 25-27).
- (16) Respiratory care committee (IC 25-34.5).
- (17) Occupational therapy committee (IC 25-23.5).
- (18) ~~Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor~~ **Behavioral health and human services licensing** board (IC 25-23.6).
- (19) Physician assistant committee (IC 25-27.5).
- (20) Indiana athletic trainers board (IC 25-5.1-2-1).
- (21) Indiana dietitians certification board (IC 25-14.5-2-1).
- (22) Indiana hypnotist committee (IC 25-20.5-1-7).

(b) Nothing in this chapter may be construed to give the agency policy making authority, which authority remains with each board.

SECTION 4. IC 25-1-5-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.2-2008, SECTION 58, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 10. (a) As used in this section, "provider" means an individual licensed, certified, registered, or permitted by any of the following:

- (1) Board of chiropractic examiners (IC 25-10-1).
- (2) State board of dentistry (IC 25-14-1).
- (3) Indiana state board of health facility administrators (IC 25-19-1).
- (4) Medical licensing board of Indiana (IC 25-22.5-2).
- (5) Indiana state board of nursing (IC 25-23-1).
- (6) Indiana optometry board (IC 25-24).
- (7) Indiana board of pharmacy (IC 25-26).
- (8) Board of podiatric medicine (IC 25-29-2-1).
- (9) Board of environmental health specialists (IC 25-32-1).
- (10) Speech-language pathology and audiology board (IC 25-35.6-2).
- (11) State psychology board (IC 25-33).
- (12) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners (IC 25-38.1-2).
- (13) Indiana physical therapy committee (IC 25-27).
- (14) Respiratory care committee (IC 25-34.5).

(15) Occupational therapy committee (IC 25-23.5).

(16) ~~Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor~~ **Behavioral health and human services licensing** board (IC 25-23.6).

(17) Physician assistant committee (IC 25-27.5).

(18) Indiana athletic trainers board (IC 25-5.1-2-1).

(19) Indiana dietitians certification board (IC 25-14.5-2-1).

(20) Indiana hypnotist committee (IC 25-20.5-1-7).

(b) The agency shall create and maintain a provider profile for each provider described in subsection (a).

(c) A provider profile must contain the following information:

(1) The provider's name.

(2) The provider's license, certification, registration, or permit number.

(3) The provider's license, certification, registration, or permit type.

(4) The date the provider's license, certification, registration, or permit was issued.

(5) The date the provider's license, certification, registration, or permit expires.

(6) The current status of the provider's license, certification, registration, or permit.

(7) The provider's city and state of record.

(8) A statement of any disciplinary action taken against the provider within the previous ten (10) years by a board or committee described in subsection (a).

(d) The agency shall make provider profiles available to the public.

(e) The computer gateway administered by the office of technology established by IC 4-13.1-2-1 shall make the information described in subsection (c)(1), (c)(2), (c)(3), (c)(6), (c)(7), and (c)(8) generally available to the public on the Internet.

(f) The agency may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement this section.

SECTION 5. IC 25-1-7-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.3-2008, SECTION 178, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.134-2008, SECTION 16, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter:

"Board" means the appropriate agency listed in the definition of regulated occupation in this section.

"Director" refers to the director of the division of consumer protection.

"Division" refers to the division of consumer protection, office of the attorney general.

"Licensee" means a person who is:

(1) licensed, certified, or registered by a board listed in this section; and

(2) the subject of a complaint filed with the division.

"Person" means an individual, a partnership, a limited liability company, or a corporation.

"Regulated occupation" means an occupation in which a person is licensed, certified, or registered by one (1) of the following:

- 1 (1) Indiana board of accountancy (IC 25-2.1-2-1).
- 2 (2) Board of registration for architects and landscape architects
- 3 (IC 25-4-1-2).
- 4 (3) Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1).
- 5 (4) State board of barber examiners (IC 25-7-5-1).
- 6 (5) State boxing commission (IC 25-9-1).
- 7 (6) Board of chiropractic examiners (IC 25-10-1).
- 8 (7) State board of cosmetology examiners (IC 25-8-3-1).
- 9 (8) State board of dentistry (IC 25-14-1).
- 10 (9) State board of funeral and cemetery service (IC 25-15-9).
- 11 (10) State board of registration for professional engineers
- 12 (IC 25-31-1-3).
- 13 (11) Indiana state board of health facility administrators
- 14 (IC 25-19-1).
- 15 (12) Medical licensing board of Indiana (IC 25-22.5-2).
- 16 (13) Indiana state board of nursing (IC 25-23-1).
- 17 (14) Indiana optometry board (IC 25-24).
- 18 (15) Indiana board of pharmacy (IC 25-26).
- 19 (16) Indiana plumbing commission (IC 25-28.5-1-3).
- 20 (17) Board of podiatric medicine (IC 25-29-2-1).
- 21 (18) Board of environmental health specialists (IC 25-32-1).
- 22 (19) State psychology board (IC 25-33).
- 23 (20) Speech-language pathology and audiology board
- 24 (IC 25-35.6-2).
- 25 (21) Indiana real estate commission (IC 25-34.1-2).
- 26 (22) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners ~~(IC 25-5-1-1)~~
- 27 ~~(IC 25-38.1)~~.
- 28 (23) Department of natural resources for purposes of licensing
- 29 water well drillers under IC 25-39-3.
- 30 (24) Respiratory care committee (IC 25-34.5).
- 31 (25) Private investigator and security guard licensing board
- 32 (IC 25-30-1-5.2).
- 33 (26) Occupational therapy committee (IC 25-23.5).
- 34 (27) ~~Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental~~
- 35 ~~health counselor~~ **Behavioral health and human services**
- 36 **licensing** board (IC 25-23.6).
- 37 (28) Real estate appraiser licensure and certification board
- 38 (IC 25-34.1-8).
- 39 (29) State board of registration for land surveyors
- 40 (IC 25-21.5-2-1).
- 41 (30) Physician assistant committee (IC 25-27.5).
- 42 (31) Indiana athletic trainers board (IC 25-5.1-2-1).
- 43 (32) Indiana dietitians certification board (IC 25-14.5-2-1).
- 44 (33) Indiana hypnotist committee (IC 25-20.5-1-7).
- 45 (34) Indiana physical therapy committee (IC 25-27).
- 46 (35) Manufactured home installer licensing board (IC 25-23.7).
- 47 (36) Home inspectors licensing board (IC 25-20.2-3-1).
- 48 (37) State department of health, *for out-of-state mobile health*
- 49 *care entities*.
- 50 (38) State board of massage therapy (IC 25-21.8-2-1).
- 51 (39) Any other occupational or professional agency created after

June 30, 1981.

SECTION 6. IC 25-1-8-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.3-2008,  
SECTION 179, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "board"  
means any of the following:

- (1) Indiana board of accountancy (IC 25-2.1-2-1).
- (2) Board of registration for architects and landscape architects (IC 25-4-1-2).
- (3) Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1).
- (4) State board of barber examiners (IC 25-7-5-1).
- (5) State boxing commission (IC 25-9-1).
- (6) Board of chiropractic examiners (IC 25-10-1).
- (7) State board of cosmetology examiners (IC 25-8-3-1).
- (8) State board of dentistry (IC 25-14-1).
- (9) State board of funeral and cemetery service (IC 25-15).
- (10) State board of registration for professional engineers (IC 25-31-1-3).
- (11) Indiana state board of health facility administrators (IC 25-19-1).
- (12) Medical licensing board of Indiana (IC 25-22.5-2).
- (13) Mining board (IC 22-10-1.5-2).
- (14) Indiana state board of nursing (IC 25-23-1).
- (15) Indiana optometry board (IC 25-24).
- (16) Indiana board of pharmacy (IC 25-26).
- (17) Indiana plumbing commission (IC 25-28.5-1-3).
- (18) Board of environmental health specialists (IC 25-32-1).
- (19) State psychology board (IC 25-33).
- (20) Speech-language pathology and audiology board (IC 25-35.6-2).
- (21) Indiana real estate commission (IC 25-34.1-2-1).
- (22) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners (IC 25-38.1-2-1).
- (23) Department of insurance (IC 27-1).
- (24) State police department (IC 10-11-2-4), for purposes of certifying polygraph examiners under IC 25-30-2.
- (25) Department of natural resources for purposes of licensing water well drillers under IC 25-39-3.
- (26) Private investigator and security guard licensing board (IC 25-30-1-5.2).
- (27) Occupational therapy committee (IC 25-23.5-2-1).
- (28) ~~Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor~~ **Behavioral health and human services licensing** board (IC 25-23.6-2-1).
- (29) Real estate appraiser licensure and certification board (IC 25-34.1-8).
- (30) State board of registration for land surveyors (IC 25-21.5-2-1).
- (31) Physician assistant committee (IC 25-27.5).
- (32) Indiana athletic trainers board (IC 25-5.1-2-1).
- (33) Board of podiatric medicine (IC 25-29-2-1).
- (34) Indiana dietitians certification board (IC 25-14.5-2-1).



- (35) Indiana physical therapy committee (IC 25-27).
- (36) Manufactured home installer licensing board (IC 25-23.7).
- (37) Home inspectors licensing board (IC 25-20.2-3-1).
- (38) State board of massage therapy (IC 25-21.8-2-1).
- (39) Any other occupational or professional agency created after June 30, 1981.

SECTION 7. IC 25-1-8-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.105-2008, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 6. (a) As used in this section, "board" means any of the following:

- (1) Indiana board of accountancy (IC 25-2.1-2-1).
- (2) Board of registration for architects and landscape architects (IC 25-4-1-2).
- (3) Indiana athletic trainers board (IC 25-5.1-2-1).
- (4) Indiana auctioneer commission (IC 25-6.1-2-1).
- (5) State board of barber examiners (IC 25-7-5-1).
- (6) State boxing commission (IC 25-9-1).
- (7) Board of chiropractic examiners (IC 25-10-1).
- (8) State board of cosmetology examiners (IC 25-8-3-1).
- (9) State board of dentistry (IC 25-14-1).
- (10) Indiana dietitians certification board (IC 25-14.5-2-1).
- (11) State board of registration for professional engineers (IC 25-31-1-3).
- (12) Board of environmental health specialists (IC 25-32-1).
- (13) State board of funeral and cemetery service (IC 25-15-9).
- (14) Indiana state board of health facility administrators (IC 25-19-1).
- (15) Committee of hearing aid dealer examiners (IC 25-20-1-1.5).
- (16) Home inspectors licensing board (IC 25-20.2-3-1).
- (17) Indiana hypnotist committee (IC 25-20.5-1-7).
- (18) State board of registration for land surveyors (IC 25-21.5-2-1).
- (19) Manufactured home installer licensing board (IC 25-23.7).
- (20) Medical licensing board of Indiana (IC 25-22.5-2).
- (21) Indiana state board of nursing (IC 25-23-1).
- (22) Occupational therapy committee (IC 25-23.5).
- (23) Indiana optometry board (IC 25-24).
- (24) Indiana board of pharmacy (IC 25-26).
- (25) Indiana physical therapy committee (IC 25-27).
- (26) Physician assistant committee (IC 25-27.5).
- (27) Indiana plumbing commission (IC 25-28.5-1-3).
- (28) Board of podiatric medicine (IC 25-29-2-1).
- (29) Private investigator and security guard licensing board (IC 25-30-1-5.2).
- (30) State psychology board (IC 25-33).
- (31) Indiana real estate commission (IC 25-34.1-2).
- (32) Real estate appraiser licensure and certification board (IC 25-34.1-8).
- (33) Respiratory care committee (IC 25-34.5).
- (34) ~~Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor~~ **Behavioral health and human services**

1        **licensing** board (IC 25-23.6).

2        (35) Speech-language pathology and audiology board  
3        (IC 25-35.6-2).

4        (36) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners (IC 25-38.1).

5        (37) State board of massage therapy (IC 25-21.8-2-1).

6        (b) This section does not apply to a license, certificate, or  
7        registration that has been revoked or suspended.

8        (c) Notwithstanding any other law regarding the reinstatement of a  
9        delinquent or lapsed license, certificate, or registration and except as  
10       provided in section 8 of this chapter, the holder of a license, certificate,  
11       or registration that was issued by the board that is three (3) years or less  
12       delinquent must be reinstated upon meeting the following  
13       requirements:

14       (1) Submission of the holder's completed renewal application.

15       (2) Payment of the current renewal fee established by the board  
16       under section 2 of this chapter.

17       (3) Payment of a reinstatement fee established by the Indiana  
18       professional licensing agency.

19       (4) If a law requires the holder to complete continuing education  
20       as a condition of renewal, the holder:

21       (A) shall provide the board with a sworn statement, signed by  
22       the holder, that the holder has fulfilled the continuing  
23       education requirements required by the board; or

24       (B) shall, if the holder has not complied with the continuing  
25       education requirements, meet any requirements imposed under  
26       IC 25-1-4-5 and IC 25-1-4-6.

27       (d) Notwithstanding any other law regarding the reinstatement of a  
28       delinquent or lapsed license, certificate, or registration and except as  
29       provided in section 8 of this chapter, unless a statute specifically does  
30       not allow a license, certificate, or registration to be reinstated if it has  
31       lapsed for more than three (3) years, the holder of a license, certificate,  
32       or registration that was issued by the board that is more than three (3)  
33       years delinquent must be reinstated upon meeting the following  
34       requirements:

35       (1) Submission of the holder's completed renewal application.

36       (2) Payment of the current renewal fee established by the board  
37       under section 2 of this chapter.

38       (3) Payment of a reinstatement fee equal to the current initial  
39       application fee.

40       (4) If a law requires the holder to complete continuing education  
41       as a condition of renewal, the holder:

42       (A) shall provide the board with a sworn statement, signed by  
43       the holder, that the holder has fulfilled the continuing  
44       education requirements required by the board; or

45       (B) shall, if the holder has not complied with the continuing  
46       education requirements, meet any requirements imposed under  
47       IC 25-1-4-5 and IC 25-1-4-6.

48       (5) Complete such remediation and additional training as deemed  
49       appropriate by the board given the lapse of time involved.

50       (6) Any other requirement that is provided for in statute or rule  
51       that is not related to fees.

SECTION 8. IC 25-1-9-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.2-2008, SECTION 59, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "board" means any of the following:

- (1) Board of chiropractic examiners (IC 25-10-1).
- (2) State board of dentistry (IC 25-14-1).
- (3) Indiana state board of health facility administrators (IC 25-19-1).
- (4) Medical licensing board of Indiana (IC 25-22.5-2).
- (5) Indiana state board of nursing (IC 25-23-1).
- (6) Indiana optometry board (IC 25-24).
- (7) Indiana board of pharmacy (IC 25-26).
- (8) Board of podiatric medicine (IC 25-29-2-1).
- (9) Board of environmental health specialists (IC 25-32).
- (10) Speech-language pathology and audiology board (IC 25-35.6-2).
- (11) State psychology board (IC 25-33).
- (12) Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners (IC 25-38.1-2).
- (13) Indiana physical therapy committee (IC 25-27-1).
- (14) Respiratory care committee (IC 25-34.5).
- (15) Occupational therapy committee (IC 25-23.5).
- (16) ~~Social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor~~ **Behavioral health and human services licensing** board (IC 25-23.6).
- (17) Physician assistant committee (IC 25-27.5).
- (18) Indiana athletic trainers board (IC 25-5.1-2-1).
- (19) Indiana dietitians certification board (IC 25-14.5-2-1).
- (20) Indiana hypnotist committee (IC 25-20.5-1-7).

SECTION 9. IC 25-20.5-1-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.134-2008, SECTION 25, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 1. This chapter does not apply to the following if the person has received training in the performance of hypnotism:

- (1) A licensed dentist practicing dentistry under IC 25-14.
- (2) A licensed physician practicing medicine under IC 25-22.5.
- (3) A licensed osteopath practicing medicine under IC 25-22.5.
- (4) A licensed psychologist practicing psychology under IC 25-33.
- (5) A licensed social worker or clinical social worker practicing social work or clinical social work under IC 25-23.6.
- (6) A registered nurse licensed under IC 25-23.
- (7) A licensed marriage and family therapist practicing marriage and family therapy under IC 25-23.6.
- (8) A licensed mental health counselor practicing mental health counseling under IC 25-23.6.
- (9) A licensed addiction counselor or a licensed clinical addiction counselor practicing addiction counseling or clinical addiction counseling under IC 25-23.6.**
- ~~(10)~~ **(10)** An individual who teaches Lamaze prenatal and delivery relaxation techniques to pregnant women.
- ~~(11)~~ **(11)** A law enforcement officer who:

(A) is trained in hypnotism; and

(B) uses hypnosis only for law enforcement purposes.

~~(H)~~ **(12)** A licensed chiropractor practicing the science of chiropractic under IC 25-10.

~~(I)~~ **(13)** An individual who performs hypnotism exclusively for entertainment or amusement purposes at a theater, night club, or other place that offers entertainment to the public for consideration or promotional purposes.

SECTION 10. IC 25-23.6-1-1.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: **Sec. 1.2. "Addiction counseling experience" refers to a time during which an applicant provides addiction counseling services directly to clients diagnosed with a substance use disorder, including treatment of clients, and at least fifty percent (50%) of the time consists of providing addiction counseling services directly to clients diagnosed with a substance use disorder.**

SECTION 11. IC 25-23.6-1-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 2. "Board" refers to the ~~social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor~~ **behavioral health and human services licensing board.**

SECTION 12. IC 25-23.6-1-2.6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: **Sec. 2.6. "Clinical addiction counseling experience" refers to a time during which an applicant provides clinical services, including evaluation and treatment of clients, and at least fifty percent (50%) of the time consists of providing addiction counseling services directly to clients diagnosed with a substance use disorder.**

SECTION 13. IC 25-23.6-1-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 3. "Clinical social worker" means an individual who is licensed under ~~this article.~~ **IC 25-23.6-5.**

SECTION 14. IC 25-23.6-1-3.8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 3.8. Except as provided in IC 25-23.6-7-5, ~~as used in this chapter,~~ "counselor" refers to a social worker, ~~a clinical social worker, a marriage and family therapist, or a mental health counselor,~~ **an addiction counselor, or a clinical addiction counselor** who is licensed under this article.

SECTION 15. IC 25-23.6-1-4.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: **Sec. 4.3. "Licensed addiction counselor" means an individual who is licensed as an addiction counselor under IC 25-23.6-10.5.**

SECTION 16. IC 25-23.6-1-4.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: **Sec. 4.5. "Licensed clinical addiction counselor" means an individual who is licensed as a clinical addiction counselor under IC 25-23.6-10.5.**

SECTION 17. IC 25-23.6-1-4.8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 4.8. "Licensed social

worker" means an individual who is licensed under ~~this article~~.  
**IC 25-23.6-5.**

SECTION 18. IC 25-23.6-1-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 5. "Marriage and family  
 therapist" means an individual who is licensed under ~~this article~~.  
**IC 25-23.6-8.**

SECTION 19. IC 25-23.6-1-5.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 5.5. "Mental health  
 counselor" means an individual ~~who is~~ licensed under ~~this article~~.  
**IC 25-23.6-8.5.**

SECTION 20. IC 25-23.6-1-5.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 5.7. (a) "Practice of addiction  
 counseling" means the providing of professional services that are  
 delivered by a licensed addiction counselor, that are designed to  
 change substance use or addictive behavior, and that involve  
 specialized knowledge and skill related to addictions and addictive  
 behaviors, including understanding addiction, knowledge of the  
 treatment process, application to practice, and professional  
 readiness. The term includes:

- (1) gathering information through structured interview  
 screens using routine protocols;
- (2) reviewing assessment findings to assist in the development  
 of a plan individualized for treatment services and to  
 coordinate services;
- (3) referring for assessment, diagnosis, evaluation, and mental  
 health therapy;
- (4) providing client and family education related to  
 addictions;
- (5) providing information on social networks and community  
 systems for referrals and discharge planning;
- (6) participating in multidisciplinary treatment team meetings  
 or consulting with clinical addiction professionals;
- (7) counseling, through individual and group counseling, as  
 well as group and family education, to treat addiction and  
 substance abuse in a variety of settings, including:
  - (A) mental and physical health facilities; and
  - (B) child and family service agencies; and
- (8) maintaining the highest level of professionalism and  
 ethical responsibility.

(b) The term does not include the use of psychotherapy or  
 diagnosis (as defined in IC 25-22.5-1-1.1(c) or as defined as the  
 practice of psychology under IC 25-33-1-2(a)).

(c) For an individual who obtains a license as an addiction  
 counselor by:

- (1) holding a valid:
  - (A) level II or higher certification or the equivalent  
 certification from a credentialing agency approved by the  
 division of mental health and addiction; or
  - (B) certification as an addiction counselor or addiction  
 therapist from a credentialing agency that is approved by

- 1           the board;
- 2           (2) having at least ten (10) years of experience in addiction
- 3           counseling;
- 4           (3) furnishing satisfactory evidence to the board that the
- 5           individual does not have:
- 6                (A) a conviction for a crime of violence (as defined in
- 7                IC 35-50-1-2(a)(1) through IC 35-50-1-2(a)(13); or
- 8                (B) a conviction in the previous two (2) years that has a
- 9                direct bearing on the individual's ability to practice
- 10               competently; and
- 11           (4) filing an initial application with the board before July 1,
- 12           2010;

13           the term includes the provision of addiction counseling services in  
 14           private practice in consultation with other licensed professionals  
 15           as required by the client's individualized treatment plan.

16           SECTION 21. IC 25-23.6-1-5.9 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
 17           CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 18           [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 5.9. (a) "Practice of clinical  
 19           addiction counseling" means the providing of professional services  
 20           that are delivered by a licensed clinical addiction counselor, that  
 21           are designed to change substance use or addictive behavior, and  
 22           that involve specialized knowledge and skill related to addictions  
 23           and addictive behaviors, including understanding addiction,  
 24           knowledge of the treatment process, application to practice, and  
 25           professional readiness. The term includes:

- 26                (1) gathering information through structured interview
- 27                screens using routine protocols and standardized clinical
- 28                instruments;
- 29                (2) using appraisal instruments as an aid in individualized
- 30                treatment planning that the licensed clinical addiction
- 31                counselor is qualified to employ because of:
- 32                    (A) education;
- 33                    (B) training; and
- 34                    (C) experience;
- 35                (3) providing psychosocial evaluations using accepted
- 36                classifications, including classifications from the American
- 37                Psychiatric Association's Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of
- 38                Mental Disorders, as amended and supplemented, to the
- 39                extent of the licensed clinical addiction counselor's education,
- 40                training, experience, and scope of practice as established by
- 41                this article;
- 42                (4) reviewing assessment findings to:
- 43                    (A) develop a plan for individualized addiction treatment;
- 44                    (B) coordinate services; and
- 45                    (C) provide subsequent assessment updates;
- 46                (5) using counseling and psychotherapeutic techniques
- 47                through individual, group, and family counseling to treat
- 48                addiction and other substance related problems and
- 49                conditions in a variety of settings, including:
- 50                    (A) mental and physical health facilities;
- 51                    (B) child and family service agencies; and

- (C) private practice;
- (6) providing client and family education related to addictions;
- (7) providing information on social networks and community systems for referrals and discharge planning;
- (8) participating in multidisciplinary treatment team meetings or consulting with clinical addiction professionals; and
- (9) maintaining the highest level of professionalism and ethical responsibility.

(b) The term does not include diagnosis (as defined in IC 25-22.5-1-1.1(c)).

SECTION 22. IC 25-23.6-2-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 1. The ~~social worker, marriage and family therapist, and mental health counselor~~ **behavioral health and human services licensing** board is established.

SECTION 23. IC 25-23.6-2-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.2-2007, SECTION 329, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 2. (a) The board consists of ~~nine (9)~~ **eleven (11)** members appointed by the governor for terms of three (3) years. The board must include the following:

- (1) Two (2) marriage and family therapists who:
  - (A) have at least a master's degree in marriage and family therapy or a related field from an eligible postsecondary educational institution;
  - (B) are licensed under this chapter; and
  - (C) have five (5) years of experience in marriage and family therapy.
- (2) One (1) social worker who:
  - (A) has at least a master's degree in social work from an eligible postsecondary educational institution accredited by the Council on Social Work Education;
  - (B) is licensed under this article; and
  - (C) has at least five (5) years of experience as a social worker.
- (3) One (1) social services director of a hospital with a social work degree who has at least three (3) years of experience in a hospital setting.
- (4) Two (2) mental health counselors who:
  - (A) have at least a master's degree in mental health counseling;
  - (B) are licensed under this article; and
  - (C) have at least five (5) years experience as a mental health counselor.
- (5) Two (2) consumers who have never been credentialed under this article.
- (6) One (1) physician licensed under IC 25-22.5 who has training in psychiatric medicine.
- (7) **Two (2) licensed clinical addiction counselors who:**
  - (A) are licensed under IC 25-23.6-10.5; and**
  - (B) have at least five (5) years experience in clinical addiction counseling.**

(b) Not more than ~~five (5)~~ **six (6)** members of the board may be from the same political party.

SECTION 24. IC 25-23.6-2-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 8. (a) The board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 establishing standards for the following:

(1) The competent practice of marriage and family therapy, social work, clinical social work, ~~and~~ mental health counseling, **addiction counseling, and clinical addiction counseling.**

(2) The renewal of licenses issued under this article.

(3) Standards for the administration of this article.

(4) Continuing education requirements for an individual seeking renewal of licensure as a social worker, clinical social worker, or marriage and family therapist.

(5) The retention of patient records and reports by a counselor.

(6) The approval of continuing education providers, programs, courses, fees, and proof of course completion.

(b) The board shall establish fees under IC 25-1-8-2.

(c) The board shall do the following:

(1) Consider the qualifications of individuals who apply for a license under this article.

(2) Provide for examinations required under this article.

(3) Subject to IC 25-1-8-6, renew licenses under this article.

(4) Conduct proceedings under IC 25-1-9.

SECTION 25. IC 25-23.6-2-9.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: **Sec. 9.5. (a) The addiction counselor section of the board is established. The section consists of the following:**

**(1) Two (2) licensed clinical addiction counselor members of the board.**

**(2) Two (2) consumer members of the board.**

**(3) One (1) physician member of the board.**

**(b) Three (3) members of the addiction counselor section, two (2) of whom must be addiction counselors, constitute a quorum.**

SECTION 26. IC 25-23.6-2-11 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 11. The social worker, marriage and family therapist, ~~and~~ mental health counselor, **and addiction counselor** sections of the board shall do the following:

(1) Approve continuing education courses authorized under this article.

(2) Propose rules to the board concerning the practice of the profession regulated by each section.

(3) Other duties as directed by the board.

SECTION 27. IC 25-23.6-4-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.2-2007, SECTION 331, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 2. (a) This article may not be construed to limit the social work or clinical social work services performed by a person who does not use a title specified in this article and who is one (1) of the following:

(1) A licensed or certified health care professional acting within the scope of the person's license or certificate.

(2) A student, an intern, or a trainee pursuing a course of study in medicine, psychology, or a course of study to gain licensure under



1 this article in an accredited eligible postsecondary educational  
 2 institution or training institution accredited by the Council on  
 3 Social Work Education, or a graduate accumulating experience  
 4 required for licensure if:

5 (A) the services are performed under qualified supervision and  
 6 constitute a part of the person's supervised course of study or  
 7 other level of supervision; and

8 (B) the student or graduate uses a title that contains the term  
 9 "intern", "student", or "trainee".

10 (3) Not a resident of Indiana if the person performed social work  
 11 in Indiana for not more than five (5) days in any one (1) month or  
 12 more than fifteen (15) days in any one (1) calendar year and the  
 13 person is authorized to perform such services under the laws of  
 14 the state or country in which the person resides.

15 (4) A rabbi, priest, Christian Science practitioner, minister, or  
 16 other member of the clergy.

17 (5) An employee or a volunteer for an organization performing  
 18 charitable, religious, or educational functions, providing pastoral  
 19 counseling, or other assistance.

20 (6) A person who provides school counseling. ~~or a person who is~~  
 21 ~~certified by a state or national organization that is recognized by~~  
 22 ~~the Indiana division of mental health and addiction and who~~  
 23 ~~provides counseling in the areas of alcohol or drug abuse~~  
 24 ~~addictions.~~

25 (7) A governmental employee who remains in the same job  
 26 classification or job family of that job classification.

27 (b) Nothing in this section prohibits a person referred to in  
 28 subsection (a) from qualifying for licensure under this article.

29 SECTION 28. IC 25-23.6-10.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
 30 CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 31 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]:

32 **Chapter 10.1. Addiction Counselors and Therapists; Unlawful**  
 33 **Practices; Penalty**

34 **Sec. 1. (a) Beginning July 1, 2010, an individual may not:**

35 **(1) profess to be a licensed addiction counselor or licensed**  
 36 **clinical addiction counselor;**

37 **(2) use the title:**

38 **(A) "licensed addiction counselor";**

39 **(B) "licensed clinical addiction counselor";**

40 **(C) "licensed clinical addiction therapist";**

41 **(D) "licensed addiction therapist";**

42 **(E) "addiction counselor";**

43 **(F) "addiction therapist";**

44 **(G) "clinical addiction counselor";**

45 **(H) "clinical addiction therapist";**

46 **(I) "substance abuse counselor";**

47 **(J) "substance abuse therapist";**

48 **(K) "clinical substance abuse counselor"; or**

49 **(L) "clinical substance abuse therapist";**

50 **(3) use any other title containing the words:**

51 **(A) "licensed addiction counselor";**

- 1 (B) "licensed addiction therapist";
- 2 (C) "licensed clinical addiction counselor";
- 3 (D) "licensed clinical addiction therapist";
- 4 (E) "addiction counselor";
- 5 (F) "addiction therapist";
- 6 (G) "clinical addiction counselor";
- 7 (H) "clinical addiction therapist";
- 8 (I) "substance abuse counselor";
- 9 (J) "substance abuse therapist";
- 10 (K) "clinical substance abuse counselor"; or
- 11 (L) "clinical substance abuse therapist";
- 12 (4) use any other:
- 13 (A) words;
- 14 (B) letters;
- 15 (C) abbreviations; or
- 16 (D) insignia;
- 17 indicating or implying that the individual is a licensed
- 18 addiction counselor or licensed clinical addiction counselor;
- 19 or
- 20 (5) practice as an addiction counselor or clinical addiction
- 21 counselor for compensation;
- 22 unless the individual is licensed under this article.
- 23 (b) Subsection (a)(5) does not apply to a person who is described
- 24 in section 2(a) or 3 of this chapter.
- 25 (c) An individual who is exempt from licensing under section
- 26 2(a)(4) of this chapter may use the title "pastoral addiction
- 27 counselor" and may engage in the practice of addiction counseling
- 28 for compensation.
- 29 Sec. 2. (a) This article may not be construed to limit addiction
- 30 counselor or clinical addiction counselor services performed by a
- 31 person who does not use a title specified in this article and who is
- 32 any of the following:
- 33 (1) A licensed or certified health care professional acting
- 34 within the scope of the person's license or certificate,
- 35 including a:
- 36 (A) social worker licensed under this article;
- 37 (B) clinical social worker licensed under this article;
- 38 (C) marriage and family therapist licensed under this
- 39 article;
- 40 (D) mental health counselor licensed under this article;
- 41 (E) psychologist licensed under IC 25-33;
- 42 (F) physician licensed under IC 25-22.5; or
- 43 (G) nurse licensed under IC 25-23;
- 44 and who has training and experience in addiction counseling.
- 45 (2) A student, an intern, or a trainee pursuing a course of
- 46 study in medicine or psychology or a course of study to gain
- 47 licensure under this article:
- 48 (A) in an accredited eligible postsecondary educational
- 49 institution or training institution accredited by the Council
- 50 for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational
- 51 Programs;

- 1 (B) through a National Association of Alcohol and Drug  
 2 Abuse Counselors approved academic education provider;  
 3 or  
 4 (C) by a graduate accumulating experience required for  
 5 licensure if:  
 6 (i) the services are performed under qualified  
 7 supervision and constitute a part of the person's  
 8 supervised course of study or other level of supervision;  
 9 and  
 10 (ii) the student or graduate uses a title that contains the  
 11 term "intern", "student", or "trainee".  
 12 (3) A nonresident of Indiana if the person performs addiction  
 13 counseling or therapy in Indiana for not more than:  
 14 (A) five (5) days in any one (1) month; or  
 15 (B) fifteen (15) days in any one (1) calendar year;  
 16 and the person is authorized to perform such services under  
 17 the laws of the state or country in which the person resides.  
 18 (4) A rabbi, priest, Christian Science practitioner, minister, or  
 19 other member of the clergy.  
 20 (5) An employee or a volunteer for an organization  
 21 performing charitable, religious, or educational functions or  
 22 providing pastoral counseling or other assistance.  
 23 (6) A person who provides school counseling.  
 24 (7) A governmental employee who remains in the same job  
 25 classification or job family of that job classification.  
 26 (8) An employee of a court alcohol and drug program, a drug  
 27 court, or a reentry court certified by the Indiana Judicial  
 28 Center when performing assigned job duties.  
 29 (9) A probation officer when performing assigned job duties.  
 30 (b) This section does not prohibit a person referred to in  
 31 subsection (a) from qualifying for licensure under this article.  
 32 Sec. 3. A person who is not licensed under this article may  
 33 provide or ensure the provision of addiction counseling services in:  
 34 (1) a health facility licensed under IC 16-28;  
 35 (2) a hospital licensed under IC 16-21 or IC 12-25;  
 36 (3) a substance abuse facility certified by the division of  
 37 mental health and addiction as an addiction services regular  
 38 agency;  
 39 (4) a home health agency licensed under IC 16-27-1;  
 40 (5) a community health center;  
 41 (6) an institution operated by the department of correction; or  
 42 (7) a community mental health center under IC 12-21-2-3;  
 43 if the person has met all of the requirements established by a  
 44 credentialing agency approved by the department of mental health  
 45 and addiction, and the person does not profess to be a licensed  
 46 addiction therapist or a licensed addiction counselor under this  
 47 article.  
 48 Sec. 4. An individual who is licensed as an addiction counselor  
 49 or clinical addiction counselor must include the words "licensed  
 50 addiction counselor" or "licensed clinical addiction counselor" or  
 51 the letters "LAC" or "LCAC" on all promotional materials,

including:

- (1) business cards;
- (2) brochures;
- (3) stationery;
- (4) advertisements; and
- (5) signs;

that name the individual.

**Sec. 5.** A licensed addiction counselor or licensed clinical addiction counselor licensed under this article may provide factual testimony but may not provide expert testimony.

**Sec. 6.** An individual who knowingly and intentionally violates this chapter after July 1, 2010, commits a Class A misdemeanor.

SECTION 29. IC 25-23.6-10.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]:

**Chapter 10.5. Addiction Counselors; Clinical Addiction Counselors; Licensure; Examinations**

**Sec. 1.** An individual who applies for a license as an addiction counselor must meet the following requirements:

(1) Furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the individual has:

(A) received a baccalaureate or higher degree in addiction counseling or in a related area as determined by the board from:

(i) an eligible postsecondary educational institution that meets the requirements under section 3(1) of this chapter; or

(ii) a foreign school that has a program of study that meets the requirements under section 3(2) or 3(3) of this chapter;

(B) completed the educational requirements under section 5 of this chapter; and

(C) completed the experience requirements under section 7 of this chapter.

(2) Furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the individual does not have a:

(A) conviction for a crime of violence (as defined in IC 35-50-1-2(a)(1) through IC 35-50-1-2(a)(13); or

(B) conviction in the previous two (2) years that has a direct bearing on the individual's ability to practice competently.

(3) Furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the individual has not been the subject of a disciplinary action by a licensing or certification agency of another state or jurisdiction on the grounds that the individual was not able to practice as an addiction counselor without endangering the public.

(4) Pass an examination established by the board.

(5) Pay the fee established by the board.

**Sec. 2.** An individual who applies for a license as a clinical addiction counselor must meet the following requirements:

1 (1) Furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the  
2 individual has:

3 (A) received a master's or doctor's degree in addiction  
4 counseling, addiction therapy, or a related area as  
5 determined by the board from an eligible postsecondary  
6 educational institution that meets the requirements under  
7 section 4(a)(1) of this chapter or from a foreign school that  
8 has a program of study that meets the requirements under  
9 section 4(a)(2) or 4(a)(3) of this chapter;

10 (B) completed the educational requirements under section  
11 6 of this chapter; and

12 (C) completed the experience requirements under section  
13 8 of this chapter.

14 (2) Furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the  
15 individual does not have a:

16 (A) conviction for a crime of violence (as defined in  
17 IC 35-50-1-2(a)(1) through IC 35-50-1-2(a)(13); or

18 (B) conviction in the previous two (2) years that has a  
19 direct bearing on the individual's ability to practice  
20 competently.

21 (3) Furnish satisfactory evidence to the board that the  
22 individual has not been the subject of a disciplinary action by  
23 a licensing or certification agency of another state or  
24 jurisdiction on the grounds that the individual was not able to  
25 practice as a clinical addiction counselor without endangering  
26 the public.

27 (4) Pass an examination established by the board.

28 (5) Pay the fee established by the board.

29 **Sec. 3. An applicant under section 1 of this chapter must have**  
30 **a baccalaureate or higher degree in addiction counseling or in a**  
31 **related area as determined by the board from an eligible**  
32 **postsecondary educational institution that meets the following**  
33 **requirements:**

34 (1) If the institution is located in the United States or a  
35 territory of the United States, at the time of the applicant's  
36 graduation the institution was accredited by a regional  
37 accrediting body recognized by the Commission on  
38 Recognition of Postsecondary Accreditation.

39 (2) If the institution is located in Canada, at the time of the  
40 applicant's graduation the institution was a member in good  
41 standing with the Association of Universities and Colleges of  
42 Canada.

43 (3) If the institution is located in a foreign country other than  
44 Canada, at the time of the applicant's graduation the  
45 institution:

46 (A) was recognized by the government of the country  
47 where the school was located as a program to train in the  
48 practice of addiction counseling; and

49 (B) maintained a standard of training substantially  
50 equivalent to the standards of institutions accredited by a  
51 regional accrediting body recognized by the Commission

**on Recognition of Postsecondary Accreditation.**

**Sec. 4. (a) An applicant under section 2 of this chapter must have a master's or doctor's degree in addition counseling, addiction therapy, or a related area as determined by the board from an eligible postsecondary educational institution that meets the following requirements:**

**(1) If the institution is located in the United States or a territory of the United States, at the time of the applicant's graduation the institution was accredited by a regional accrediting body recognized by the Commission on Recognition of Postsecondary Accreditation.**

**(2) If the institution is located in Canada, at the time of the applicant's graduation the institution was a member in good standing with the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada.**

**(3) If the institution is located in a foreign country other than Canada, at the time of the applicant's graduation the institution:**

**(A) was recognized by the government of the country where the school was located as a program to train in the practice of addiction counseling; and**

**(B) maintained a standard of training substantially equivalent to the standards of institutions accredited by a regional accrediting body recognized by the Commission on Recognition of Postsecondary Accreditation.**

**(b) An applicant under section 2 of this chapter who has a master's or doctor's degree from a program that did not emphasize addiction counseling may complete the course work requirement from an institution that is:**

**(1) accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs;**

**(2) recognized by the National Association of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors;**

**(3) recognized by the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium;**

**(4) accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Marriage and Family Therapy Education;**

**(5) accredited by the American Psychological Association's Commission on Accreditation; or**

**(6) accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.**

**Sec. 5. (a) An applicant under section 1 of this chapter must complete the following educational requirements:**

**(1) Forty (40) semester hours or sixty (60) quarter hours of course work from an eligible postsecondary educational institution that includes the following content areas:**

**(A) Addictions theory.**

**(B) Psychoactive drugs.**

**(C) Addictions counseling skills.**

**(D) Theories of personality.**

**(E) Developmental psychology.**

**(F) Abnormal psychology.**

- 1 (G) Treatment planning.
- 2 (H) Cultural competency.
- 3 (I) Ethics and professional development.
- 4 (J) Family education.
- 5 (K) Areas of content as approved by the board.
- 6 (2) At least one (1) supervised practicum, internship, or field
- 7 experience in an addiction counseling setting that requires the
- 8 applicant to provide at least three hundred fifty (350) hours
- 9 of addiction counseling services.
- 10 (b) The content areas under subsection (a)(1) may be combined
- 11 into any one (1) college level course if the applicant can prove that
- 12 the course work was devoted to each content area listed in
- 13 subsection (a)(1).
- 14 **Sec. 6. (a) An applicant under section 2 of this chapter must**
- 15 **complete the following educational requirements:**
- 16 (1) Twenty-seven (27) semester hours or forty-one (41)
- 17 quarter hours of graduate course work that must include
- 18 graduate level course credits with material in at least the
- 19 following content areas:
- 20 (A) Addiction counseling theories and techniques.
- 21 (B) Clinical problems.
- 22 (C) Psychopharmacology.
- 23 (D) Psychopathology.
- 24 (E) Clinical appraisal and assessment.
- 25 (F) Theory and practice of group addiction counseling.
- 26 (G) Counseling addicted family systems.
- 27 (H) Multicultural counseling.
- 28 (I) Research methods in addictions.
- 29 (J) Areas of content as approved by the board.
- 30 (2) At least one (1) graduate level course of two (2) semester
- 31 hours or three (3) quarter hours in the following areas:
- 32 (A) Legal, ethical, and professional standards issues in the
- 33 practice of addiction counseling and therapy or an
- 34 equivalent course approved by the board.
- 35 (B) Appraisal and assessment for individual or
- 36 interpersonal disorder or dysfunction.
- 37 (3) At least one (1) supervised clinical practicum, internship,
- 38 or field experience in an addiction counseling setting that
- 39 requires the applicant to provide seven hundred (700) hours
- 40 of clinical addiction counseling services and that must include
- 41 the following:
- 42 (A) Two hundred eighty (280) face to face client contact
- 43 hours of addiction counseling services under the
- 44 supervision of a licensed clinical addiction counselor who
- 45 has at least five (5) years of experience or a qualified
- 46 supervisor approved by the board.
- 47 (B) One hundred five (105) hours of supervision from a
- 48 licensed clinical addiction counselor who has at least five
- 49 (5) years experience as a qualified supervisor approved by
- 50 the board.
- 51 (4) Any qualifications established by the board under

subsection (c).

(b) The content areas under subsection (a)(1) may be combined into any one (1) graduate level course if the applicant can prove that the course work was devoted to each content area.

(c) The board shall adopt rules to establish any additional educational or clinical qualifications as specified by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs or a successor organization.

Sec. 7. (a) An applicant under section 1 of this chapter must have at least two (2) years of addiction counseling experience that must include at least one hundred fifty (150) hours under supervision, one hundred (100) hours of which must be under individual supervision and fifty (50) hours of which must be under group supervision. The supervision required must be provided by a qualified supervisor, as determined by the board.

(b) A doctoral internship may be applied toward the supervised work experience requirement.

(c) Except as provided in subsection (d), the experience requirement may be met by work performed at or away from the premises of the qualified supervisor.

(d) The work requirement may not be performed away from the qualified supervisor's premises if:

(1) the work is the independent private practice of addiction counseling; and

(2) the work is not performed at a place that has the supervision of a qualified supervisor.

Sec. 8. (a) An applicant under section 2 of this chapter must have at least two (2) years of clinical addiction counseling experience that must include at least two hundred (200) hours under supervision, one hundred (100) hours of which must be under individual supervision and one hundred (100) hours of which must be under group supervision. The supervision required must be provided by a qualified supervisor, as determined by the board.

(b) A doctoral internship may be applied toward the supervised work experience requirement.

(c) Except as provided in subsection (d), the experience requirement may be met by work performed at or away from the premises of the qualified supervisor.

(d) The work requirement may not be performed away from the qualified supervisor's premises if:

(1) the work is the independent private practice of addiction therapy; and

(2) the work is not performed at a place that has the supervision of a qualified supervisor.

Sec. 9. (a) An individual who satisfies the requirements of sections 4, 6, and 8 of this chapter may take the licensed clinical addiction counselor examination established by the board.

(b) An individual who satisfies the requirements of sections 3, 5, and 7 of this chapter may take the licensed addiction counselor examination established by the board.

Sec. 10. (a) The board may issue a temporary permit to allow an



individual to profess to be a licensed addiction counselor or licensed clinical addiction counselor if the individual pays a fee established by the board and the individual:

(1) has a valid license or certificate to practice from another state and the individual has applied for a license from the board;

(2) is practicing in a state that does not license addiction counselors or therapists but is certified by a national association approved by the board and the individual has applied for a license from the board; or

(3) has been approved by the board to take the examination and has graduated from a school or program approved by the board and the individual has completed any experience requirement.

(b) A temporary permit issued under this section expires the earliest of:

(1) the date the individual holding the permit is issued a license under this article;

(2) the date the board disapproves the individual's license application; or

(3) one hundred eighty (180) days after the initial permit is issued.

(c) The board may renew a temporary permit if the individual holding the permit is scheduled to take the next examination and the individual:

(1) does not take the examination; and

(2) shows good cause for not taking the examination.

(d) A permit renewed under subsection (c) expires on the date the individual holding the permit receives the results from the next examination given after the permit was issued.

Sec. 11. (a) An individual who applies for an addiction counselor license under this article may be exempted by the board from the examination requirement under section 1 of this chapter if the individual:

(1) is licensed or certified as an addiction counselor in another state and has passed a licensing examination substantially equivalent to the licensing examination required under this article;

(2) has engaged in the practice of addiction counseling for at least three (3) of the previous five (5) years;

(3) has passed an examination pertaining to the addiction counseling laws and rules of Indiana; and

(4) has not committed any act and is not under investigation for any act that constitutes a violation of this article;

and is otherwise qualified under sections 1, 3, 5, and 7 of this chapter.

(b) An individual who applies for a clinical addiction counselor license under this article may be exempted by the board from the examination requirement under section 2 of this chapter if the individual:

(1) is licensed or certified as a clinical addiction counselor in

another state and has passed a licensing examination substantially equivalent to the licensing examination required under this article;

(2) has passed an examination pertaining to the addiction therapy laws and rules of Indiana; and

(3) has not committed any act and is not under investigation for any act that constitutes a violation of this article;

and is otherwise qualified under sections 2, 4, 6, and 8 of this chapter.

Sec. 12. (a) A license issued by the board under this chapter is valid for the remainder of the renewal period in effect on the date the license was issued.

(b) An individual may renew a license by paying a renewal fee on or before the expiration date of the license.

(c) If an individual fails to pay a renewal fee on or before the expiration date of a license, the license becomes invalid.

Sec. 13. (a) The board may reinstate an invalid license up to three (3) years after the expiration date of the license if the individual holding the invalid license meets the requirements under IC 25-1-8-6.

(b) If more than three (3) years have elapsed since the date a license expired, the individual holding the license may renew the license by satisfying the requirements for renewal established by the board and meeting the requirements of IC 25-1-8-6.

Sec. 14. (a) An individual who is licensed under this article shall notify the board in writing when the individual retires from practice.

(b) Upon receipt of the notice, the board shall:

(1) record the fact the individual is retired; and

(2) release the individual from further payment of renewal fees.

Sec. 15. (a) The board shall exempt an individual from the requirements set forth in this article and grant the individual a clinical addiction counselor license if the individual meets the following requirements:

(1) Holds, before July 1, 2011, a master's or doctor's degree in a human services or behavioral science discipline from an eligible postsecondary educational institution.

(2) Holds a valid:

(A) level II or higher certification or the equivalent certification from a credentialing agency approved by the division of mental health and addiction; or

(B) certification as an addiction counselor or addiction therapist from a credentialing agency that is approved by the board.

(3) Furnishes satisfactory evidence to the board that the individual does not have a:

(A) conviction for a crime of violence (as defined in IC 35-50-1-2(a)(1) through IC 35-50-1-2(a)(13)); or

(B) conviction in the previous two (2) years that has a direct bearing on the individual's ability to practice

1                   competently.

2                   (4) Files an initial application to the board before July 1, 2011.

3                   (b) The board shall exempt an individual from the requirements  
4 set forth in this article and grant the individual a clinical addiction  
5 counselor license if the individual meets the following  
6 requirements:

7                   (1) Holds, before July 1, 2011, a master's or doctor's degree in  
8 a human services or behavioral science discipline from an  
9 eligible postsecondary educational institution.

10                  (2) Has at least five (5) years of clinical addiction counseling  
11 experience.

12                  (3) Furnishes satisfactory evidence to the board that the  
13 individual does not have a:

14                   (A) conviction for a crime of violence (as defined in  
15 IC 35-50-1-2(a)(1) through IC 35-50-1-2(a)(13)); or

16                   (B) conviction in the previous two (2) years that has a  
17 direct bearing on the individual's ability to practice  
18 competently.

19                  (4) Holds a license in good standing as a:

20                   (A) clinical social worker under IC 25-23.6-5-2;

21                   (B) marriage and family therapist under IC 25-23.6-8-1;

22                   (C) mental health counselor under IC 25-23.6-8.5-1; or

23                   (D) psychologist under IC 25-33-1-5.1.

24                  (5) Files an initial application with the board before July 1,  
25 2011.

26                  (c) The board shall exempt an individual from the requirements  
27 set forth in this article and grant the individual an addiction  
28 counselor license if the individual meets the following  
29 requirements:

30                  (1) Holds a valid:

31                   (A) level II or higher certification or the equivalent  
32 certification from a credentialing agency approved by the  
33 division of mental health and addiction; or

34                   (B) certification as an addiction counselor or addiction  
35 therapist from a credentialing agency that is approved by  
36 the board.

37                  (2) Has at least ten (10) years of addiction counseling  
38 experience.

39                  (3) Furnishes satisfactory evidence to the board that the  
40 individual does not have a:

41                   (A) conviction for a crime of violence (as defined in  
42 IC 35-50-1-2(a)(1) through IC 35-50-1-2(a)(13)); or

43                   (B) conviction in the previous two (2) years that has a  
44 direct bearing on the individual's ability to practice  
45 competently.

46                  (4) Files an initial application with the board before July 1,  
47 2011.

48                  (d) The board shall exempt an individual from the requirements  
49 set forth in this article and grant the individual an addiction  
50 counselor license if the individual meets the following  
51 requirements:

1 (1) Has at least three (3) years of addiction counseling  
2 experience.

3 (2) Furnishes satisfactory evidence to the board that the  
4 individual does not have a:

5 (A) conviction for a crime of violence (as defined in  
6 IC 35-50-1-2(a)(1) through IC 35-50-1-2(a)(13)); or

7 (B) conviction in the previous two (2) years that has a  
8 direct bearing on the individual's ability to practice  
9 competently.

10 (3) Holds a license in good standing as a:

11 (A) social worker under IC 25-23.6-5-1;

12 (B) clinical social worker under IC 25-23.6-5-2;

13 (C) marriage and family therapist under IC 25-23.6-8-1;

14 (D) mental health counselor under IC 25-23.6-8.5-1; or

15 (E) psychologist under IC 25-33-1-5.1.

16 (4) Files an initial application with the board before July 1,  
17 2011.

18 (e) The board may exempt an individual from the requirements  
19 set forth in this article and grant the individual a clinical addiction  
20 counselor license if the individual meets the following  
21 requirements:

22 (1) Holds, before July 1, 2011, a bachelor's degree in a human  
23 services or behavioral science discipline from an eligible  
24 postsecondary educational institution.

25 (2) Holds the following:

26 (A) A Level IV certification from the Indiana Counselors  
27 Association on Alcohol and Drug Abuse.

28 (B) Certification at the Internationally Certified Advanced  
29 Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Counselor level from the  
30 International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium.

31 (C) The level of certification from the National Association  
32 of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors that the board  
33 determines is similar to the Level IV certification from the  
34 Indiana Counselors Association on Alcohol and Drug  
35 Abuse.

36 (3) Furnishes satisfactory evidence to the board that the  
37 individual does not have a:

38 (A) conviction for a crime of violence (as defined in  
39 IC 35-50-1-2(a)(1) through IC 35-50-1-2(a)(13)); or

40 (B) conviction in the previous two (2) years that has a  
41 direct bearing on the individual's ability to practice  
42 competently.

43 (4) Has at least twenty (20) years of clinical addiction  
44 counseling experience.

45 (5) Files an initial application to the board before July 1, 2011.

46 (f) This section expires July 1, 2011.

47 SECTION 30. IC 31-32-11-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
48 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 1. The privileged  
49 communication between:

50 (1) a husband and wife;

51 (2) a health care provider and the health care provider's patient;

(3) a:

(A) ~~certified~~ **licensed** social worker;

(B) ~~certified~~ **licensed** clinical social worker; ~~or~~

(C) ~~certified~~ **licensed** marriage and family therapist;

**(D) licensed mental health counselor;**

**(E) licensed addiction counselor; or**

**(F) licensed clinical addiction counselor;**

and a client of any of the professionals described in clauses (A) through ~~(C)~~; **(F)**;

(4) a school counselor and a student; or

(5) a school psychologist and a student;

is not a ground for excluding evidence in any judicial proceeding resulting from a report of a child who may be a victim of child abuse or neglect or relating to the subject matter of the report or failing to report as required by IC 31-33.

SECTION 31. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009] **(a) The definitions in IC 25-23.6-1, as amended by this act, apply throughout this SECTION.**

**(b) Notwithstanding IC 25-23.6-2-2(a)(7), as amended by this act, before July 1, 2010, a clinical addiction counselor member of the board is not required to be licensed under IC 25-23.6.**

**(c) Notwithstanding IC 25-23.6-2-2(a), as amended by this act, the two (2) members initially appointed to the board under IC 25-23.6-2-2(a)(7), as amended by this act, shall be appointed to terms beginning July 1, 2009, as follows:**

**(1) One (1) licensed clinical addiction counselor shall be appointed to a term of two (2) years by the governor from among individuals recommended by the president pro tempore of the senate.**

**(2) One (1) licensed clinical addiction counselor shall be appointed to a term of three (3) years by the governor from among individuals recommended by the speaker of the house of representatives.**

**(d) Notwithstanding IC 25-23.6-2-2(b), as amended by this act, a member of the board may continue to serve until the member's term expires.**

**(e) This SECTION expires July 2, 2013.**

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